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From on board the Barfleur in the Bay of Mondelle, May 9.

YEsterday a Convention for the Evacuation of Sardinia, was concluded and signed by Admiral Byng, Count Mercy, and the Marquess de Lede; and the latter has dispatched Orders to the Captain-General of that Island, to make the necessary Dispositions for evacuating it. The Castle, Mole, and City of Palermo are to be put into the Hands of the Imperialists To-Morrow.

Copenhagen, May 28. It is not doubted the first Letters from Stockholm will bring an Account of Sir John Norris being arrived, with the British Fleet under his Command, on the Swedish Coast. He had the Wind very fair for four or five Days after his Departure from hence.

Paris, June 2. An Arrêt of the King's Council of State, dated the 29th of May, was published two Days ago, for deferring to the 1st of July the Diminution on the Money which was to have begun on the 1st Instant, for making current again the several Coins of Gold and Silver which had been prohibited, and for allowing all Persons to import Gold or Silver Custom-free. This Morning was published another Arrêt dated the 1st Instant, setting forth, that whereas his Majesty had by an Arrêt of his Council of the 28th of January last, permitted Search to be made in all his Subjects Houses, even in Monasteries and Convents, and in privileged Places, for Money that might be hid; had by an Arrêt of the 27th of February forbidden all Persons, on Penalty of Confiscation and of a Fine of 10000 Livres, to keep by them more than 500 Livres in Specie; and had also by the forementioned Arrêt of the 29th of May permitted Gold and Silver Coin to be current again; his Majesty does now allow all Persons to have and keep in their Possession whatever Sums of Money they think fit. On the 31st past in the Morning Collonel Stanhope proceeded from hence for Madrid.

Hague, June 4. The Marquess Beretti Landi, Ambassadour of Spain, having received the Ratifications of the King his Master's Act of Accession to the Treaty of Quadruple Alliance, has notified it to the Imperial, British, French, and Sardinian Ministers; and they have agreed to meet To-Morrow, and exchange the several Instruments of Ratification. It is advised from Stockholm, that the Treaty of Peace between the Crowns of Sweden and Denmark, was upon the Point of being concluded.

Windsor, May 24. This Day the Right Honourable Charles Earl of Sunderland, was installed Knight Companion of the most Noble Order of the Garter in the Royal Chapel of St. George, within the College of the Castle of Windsor, by the Dukes of Newcastle and Kingston, Knights Companions of the said Order, commissioned thereto by the Sovereign under the Great Seal of the Order: The Atchievements of the late Duke of Schomberg were first offered by the Knights Commissioners; and when all the usual Ceremonies had been performed in the Chapel, the Procession was made from thence through the great South Door of the Church up to the Castle; and the Knights Companions, and Officers of the Order, the foreign Ambassadours, with a great Number of the Nobility, and other Persons of Quality and Distinction, were splendidly entertained at Dinner in the Council-Chamber.

Whitehall, May 27. On the 12th Instant the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland met at Edinburgh, and chose for their Moderator Mr. William Hamilton. His Majesty's Commission to the Right Honourable the Earl of Rothes was read, as was likewise His Majesty's most gracious Letter to the Assembly. His Majesty's High Commissioner made a Speech to the Assembly, which was answered on their Part by the Moderator; and a Committee being appointed, drew up a dutiful Answer to His Majesty's most gracious Letter.

Admiralty-Office, May 26, 1720.

Whereas an anonimous Letter signed A. B. dated the 23d Instant, hath been sent to this Office, giving an Account of some Abuses committed in the Navy; the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby give Notice, that if the Person who wrote the same will attend their Lordships, and give a further Account of what he knows concerning the same, he shall have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.

By Command of their Lordships,
J. Burchett.

Custom-House, London, May 12, 1720.

The Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs being well informed, that great Quantities of Goods which are imported by or on the proper Account and Risque of Foreigners Aliens to this Kingdom, are entred at the Custom House by several of His Majesty's British Subjects, as well those who are Freemen of the City of London as others, and the Duties due and payable to His Majesty for such Goods are paid only as if imported by and on the Account of His Majesty's Natural Born Subjects, or of Persons Naturalized, to the great Diminution of His Majesty's Revenue, and to the Detriment of the fair Merchants: And whereas by several Acts of Parliament it is provided, That if any Person shall Custom any Goods or Merchandize of any Stranger or Denizen, whereby the King loseth his Custom, Subsidy, or other his Right or Duty, such Person will not only forfeit and lose the Goods or Merchandize so Customed, and the Value thereof, but also forfeit and lose all his own Goods and Chattels Personal for ever, one Moiety of which Forfeiture to be to His Majesty, and the other Moiety to him or them that will sue for the same: Of which this Notice is given, that no Person may through Ignorance incur the aforesaid Forfeitures. And the said Commissioners do hereby further give Notice, That if any Person or Persons will give them, or the Principal Officers of the Customs in any Port, Information of the before-mentioned Frauds, so as the Persons concerned therein may be prosecuted and convicted; he or they shall have and receive for his or their Encouragement, the Officers Share of what shall be recovered, after the Charges of Prosecution are deducted. 1 Hen. 8, Ca. 5. 2 & 3 Ed. 6. Ca. 22.

The Committee for Letting the City's Lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London, give Notice, that they intend to Lett by Lease a Piece or Parcel of Ground, and 107 Messuages or Tenements thereon erected, and several Yards and Gardens belonging to the said Messuages, commonly called or known by the Name of Petty-France, in Moorfields; together with five Messuages or Tenements in Wormwood-Street, fronting Broad Street, and Liberty of taking down all or any of the said five Messuages or Tenements, and Part of the City's Wall behind the same, to make a Way or Passage into Petty-France aforesaid: And that the said Committee will sit in the Council-Chamber of the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday the 1st of June next, at Four in the Afternoon, to receive Proposals for the same; of which more particular Information may be had, and a Plan of the said Premisses seen, at the Comptroller's Office in the Guildhall aforesaid.

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